



## CITY OF LODI

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: California Waste Recovery Systems request for approval of assignment of their agreement with the City of Lodi for refuse collection and processing

MEETING DATE: June 18, 1997

PREPARED BY: Kirk J. Evans, Assistant to the City Manager

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RECOMMENDED ACTION: That City Council approve assignment of the California Waste Recovery Systems franchise agreement to United Waste Systems.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: California Waste Recovery Systems (CWRS) has entered into a definitive agreement to merge their company with United Waste Systems. The company will operate under the name California Waste Removal Systems.


The Vaccarezza family has provided refuse collection, transfer, and materials processing services for the City of Lodi and surrounding region for over 70 years. They have made a personal family decision to merge their company with United Waste Systems. The merger will help fuel growth opportunities for the company and add jobs. CWRS believes this is an investment in the future for the direct benefit of customers. The merger will also provide new resources to draw on for customer needs.

United Waste Systems is one of the fastest growing solid waste management firms in the United States. It is comprised of local, family-owned, refuse businesses. They have an outstanding record for providing quality customer service. This merger has been structured in a manner to avoid any inconvenience to Lodi customers. Customers will continue to deal with the same people on a daily basis and will receive the same level of high quality service they have come to expect. The Vaccarezza family will continue to be integral in all CWRS operations. David Vaccarezza will become Regional Vice President, Thom Sanchez becomes the General Manager and Annette Murdaca acquires the role of Administrator.

The current franchise agreement between the City of Lodi and CWRS was entered into beginning July 1, 1989. The agreement provides for two seven year terms at the option of the contractor and two seven year terms at the option of the City. We are currently in the eighth year of the contract; leaving approximately six years on the current term, followed by renewals at the option of the City.

The contract specifies that assignment requires City consent. Assignment of the contract to United Waste Systems requires that United Waste Systems assume all terms and conditions of the contract and the rate methodology. United Waste Systems has been fully informed of these terms and conditions and is eager to accept assignment of the contract.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

  
H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager



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The quality of service CWRS has provided, and their level of commitment to this community, are recognized as being of the highest order. Obviously, a change such as this is a rare occurrence. The City of Lodi will want to be assured its interests regarding solid waste management services are well protected.

David Vaccarezza, President and owner of California Waste Recovery Systems, will be present at the Council meeting to provide a report regarding their merger with United Waste Systems and answer any questions from Council. Mr. Vaccarezza sees this as an opportunity to grow professionally, and yet remain the *local guy* from Lodi. They plan on being around for a long time.

FUNDING: N A

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Kirk J. Evans  
Assistant to the City Manager

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 97-90

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL  
APPROVING CALIFORNIA WASTE RECOVERY SYSTEMS REQUEST  
FOR APPROVAL OF ASSIGNMENT OF FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH THE  
CITY OF LODI FOR REFUSE COLLECTION AND PROCESSING

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RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby approve California Waste Recovery Systems request for approval of assignment of the franchise agreement to United Waste Systems.

Dated: June 18, 1997

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 97-90 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held June 18, 1997, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS -  
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS -  
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS -  
ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS -

ALICE M. REIMCHE  
Acting City Clerk